



## ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

MEMORANDUM

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TO: Division File

FROM: Amy J. Loiselle *ajl*

SUBJECT: Lee County-General-Franklin Grove/Logan

EPA Region 5 Records Ctr.



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On May 29, 1980, the author investigated the site where it was reported in September, 1976 that 1,200-1,500 fifty five gallon drums of paint wastes were located on the property of Bob Logan. At that time an attempt was made to find a sound disposal site for these wastes.

The file did not contain a specific site location. I located Bob Logan's property to be in the west part of Franklin Grove (see attached site sketch).

I interviewed Bob Logan and sampled 2 of the drums that had been opened.

According to Bob Logan, Bob Bell had deposited the barrels on his property in 1973 or 1974 or 1975; Bob Logan could not remember. At that time Bob Logan proceeded to use what paint he could on his own buildings and also sold some of it. He said he did not dump the paint wastes from the barrels; he only reused or recycled those barrels that were emptied when the "good" paint they contained had been used. He said there were several hundred barrels remaining on his property at this time. In his estimation most of the barrels contained dried paint solids.

Bob Logan operates a used tractor and combine parts company. I observed two large piles of barrels on the west end of his lot, each with approximately 100 plus barrels (rough estimate). Also noted were several small groups of barrels scattered throughout his parts lot.

I noted that most of the barrels observed stood upright and appeared to be intact with a minimal degree of weathering. Some of the barrels were laying on their sides.

Bob Logan said some representatives from Valspar were out last week. Bob Logan opened a few barrels for them. Two of these barrels were sampled; one contained dried white paint solids; the other contained what appeared to be paint sludge wastes. He said the Valspar representatives indicated their willingness to help clean up these barrels. Bob Logan was very cooperative and stated that he had the means and would be willing to load and haul the barrels to a proper disposal site. He also seemed to indicate that he would not be willing or able to pay anything but a very minimal disposal fee.

In seeking out a proper disposal site in 1976, Bob Logan said that Ogle County-Davis Junction/B.F.I. landfill would accept only bulk wastes that they knew the contents of and not these barrelled wastes. He also said that Bureau County-Sheffield/Nuclear Engineering Co. #2 would have charged \$10.50 a barrel.

A follow-up letter was sent to Bob Logan emphasizing his responsibility in cleaning up the barrels and outlining the landfills located in his area that may take such wastes.

This property will be reinspected to monitor the barrel removal.

cc: Rockford Region; Land FOS Manager

Lee Co.

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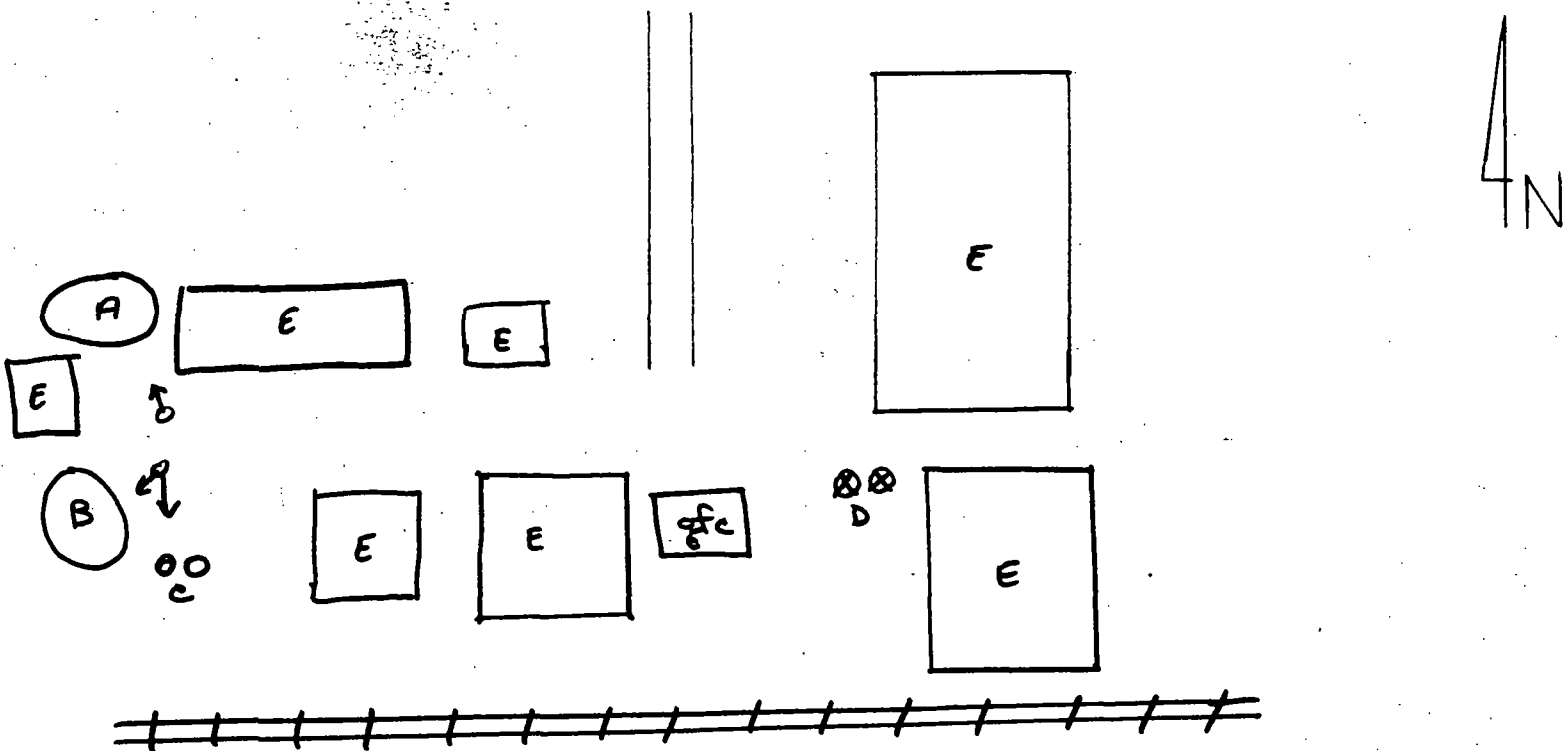
General

DATE: 5-29-80

Franklin Grove

Logan

TIME: 10:15-11:10am



cc: Rkfd Reg  
Land FOS Manager

NOT DRAWN TO SCALE

A - pile of 55 gal drums.

B - pile of 55 gal drums.

C - few 55 gal drums standing among junk/parts.

D - few 55gal drums. Sampled 1 for paint sludge-like, gelatinous material; 2nd sample of dried paint

E - shop buildings, office or sheds.

